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On Friday, October 8th, 2005, Dr. Fei-Fei Chao, Reg. No. 43,538, contacted examiner regarding restriction requirement of 23 September 2005, noting that a preliminary amendment had been filed in the instant application, canceling claims 19-26.

A review of the record of the instant application yielded a preliminary amendment, which was filed on 26 September 2003, wherein claims 19-26 had been cancelled. With only claims 1-18 pending and with there being no restriction between said pending claims, the restriction requirement of 23 September 2005 is hereby vacated. Accordingly, there is no need for applicant to respond further to the office communication of 23 September 2005. The instant application will be taken up in turn wherein a first office action on the merits will be conducted.

The examiner regrets this oversight and any confusion it may have caused.

Any inquiry concerning this communication or earlier communications from the examiner should be directed to Bradley L. Sisson whose telephone number is (571) 272-0751. The examiner can normally be reached on 6:30 a.m. to 5 p.m., Monday through Thursday.

If attempts to reach the examiner by telephone are unsuccessful, the examiner's supervisor, Gary Jones can be reached on 571-272-0745. The fax phone number for the organization where this application or proceeding is assigned is 571-273-8300.

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